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Re: US10/519,393

Dear Mr. Jon Dudas or your Staff of Concern:

It is my honor to write you this letter regarding my application above which was previously filed under PCTUS03/11320 on 04/14/2003.

Attached is the letter I received from your staff in January this year. Thanks for this letter that finally cleared the way for my application to get into the final examination stage.

The letter states that my application is going to be published on April 19, 2007. Is it a full publication or just like the European Patent Office, only publish the bibliographical data since my application was originally from PCT procedure? Do I need to pay for the publication? What is the next step after the publication, is it part of the final examination process?

I would here also do additions of an "embodiment of the invention" (an implementation case). Actually this embodiment has already added to the European Patent application (EP1584189), which also based on the same PCT application as the US one. This embodiment is actually right in the claimed width coverage of the application. I know that US patent system allow for "continuation-in-part(CIP)", which allow to add-in new embodiments and still take the benefit of the original application's priority date and count the patent period from that priority date if a patent granted. Stath is fit my case? If so, I would like to just wait until the original application finalized, then consider the "CIP" action. Is that OK to me?

Also, for better understanding the "industry utility" of the invention, I enclose an executive summary of the invention which gives more background information about it to aid your examination.

Please let me know if I can be any assistance of your examination, I can come to your office if it is necessary to answer questions. I am just too afraid of any delay to further miss some of the important deadline. Since in the past 5 years after my first submitted my application, almost 2 years wasted due to my past lawyer and/or my self's negligence of some important timeline.

Look forward to hear from you and thanks very much for taking care of my application.

Sincerely

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Title

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